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New Laundry Workers repel raid here

REPORT

To Our Reader - Owners

AN AGED BROTHER

Social Security payments should increase each time the cost of living rises, writes a man who signs himself "Loyal Union Member."

He goes on to explain to the editor that he is 72 years old, "had a heart attack some time back, and cannot get extra work of any kind, and if I could get it, could not stand to work more than 4 hours before I play out . . . It is hard and getting harder to make ends meet. By the time room rent is paid there isn't much left for food and clothing."

He suggests that this paper start "some sort of a campaign for unions to bring pressure on Congress" to provide that Social Security payments rise as the cost of living rises.

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IKE ON ALERT!

The brother won't get much sympathy from President Eisenhower on this. As the AFLCIO Economic Trends points out:

"Although the President has been accused of lackadaisical leadership when it comes to defense preparedness and economic recovery needs, there can be no doubt about the strength of his conviction to reduce the social welfare expenditures of the Government . . . Federal matching funds to help finance assistance to the aged, dependents, and the disabled . . . must be whittled down in 1960 and thereafter, he says."

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THE BIG HOWL

In general, the group of magnates Mr. Eisenhower and his allies in Congress represent would have mighty little sympathy for our 72-year-old brother. Take the howl that is going up from residents of the Westchester area in New York State, an area packed full of wealthy backers of Ike.

The howl they are raising is against the buying of an estate and turning it into a swimming and sports center for veterans who are blind, paraplegics, amputees. Forty-two wealthy property owners in the neighborhood protest that this "would cause a severe depreciation of property values in this fine residential area."

Our 72-year-old brother is right: the labor movement is the only lobbying group that can be counted on to push past that indifference to human welfare which is felt by the powerful supporters of President Eisenhower, Senator Knowland, and their like.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

Ward's hurt by boycott bring \$500,000 suit

Montgomery Ward & Co. howled with pain this week and announced through court procedure that it has already suffered a half million dollar loss through the boycott of its Oakland store, and is losing \$10,000 for every day that the boycott continues.

The big corporation filed suit in Alameda County Superior Court asking for the above amounts.

Since January 7 Department & Specialty Store Employees Local 1265 of the Retail Clerks International Association has had representatives posted in front of the Oakland store asking consumers to refrain from purchasing anything at the store.

The nationwide strike and boycott of the RCIA against the company on the ground that it refuses to engage in good faith in collective bargaining was thoroughly discussed at the recent convention of the AFLCIO, which passed a resolution supporting the strike and boycott, and appointed a special committee of high AFLCIO officials to cooperate with RCIA President James A. Suffridge in operations against the company.

The Central Labor Council
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First nominations for COPE; recessed until March 18th

The AFLCIO Council on Political Education of Alameda County, the local COPE, held its first meeting Monday night at the Labor Temple.

The constitution, which had been adopted by both the Central Labor Council and the Building Trades Council, was read aloud word for word by CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash.

Then nominations were made for officers and the executive committee of COPE, and the meeting recessed until Tuesday, March 18, when there will be second nominations. The election of the officers and executive committee members will be held at some later date, with printed ballots containing the names of all candidates.

It was agreed at the meeting Monday that the committee of 10 from the CLC and the BTC would meet within a week with labor people in the various cities of the county which will hold elections in April, with full power to act on recommendations of candidates.

Nominations for president of COPE were: Ernest Perry, Steelworkers; Jack Tobler, Auto
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BAKERY DRIVER Frank E. Phebus, shown at left, is first man of that craft to receive a pension under the Western Conference Plan. He received his check from Les Benham, secretary-treasurer of Bakery Wagon Drivers Local 432. A bakery driver for the past 15 years, Phebus was a laundry driver member of Local 209 before transferring. He was employed by New England Pie Co.

Fight against 'right to work' takes top place on BTC list

The fight against the proposed compulsory open shop "right to work" initiative occupied much of the attention of the Building Trades Council at its meeting this week.

There was a report from the Board of Business Agents on a special meeting held by the board to discuss the campaign against "right to work."

A copy of the special bulletin for placing in union halls and other places frequented by union members was received from the State Federation of Labor. This bulletin has a large headline: "Don't Sign THIS Petition!"

and reproduces the opening words of the Employer-Employee Relations proposal, as it is titled officially.

At the foot of the bulletin is this reminder: "This is the notorious 'right to work' initiative now being circulated by the enemies of the working people. It means low wages, no health and welfare plans, no pension plans, long hours, broken unions, no collective bargaining, depression for both workers and business. DON'T SIGN IT!"

A letter from C. J. Haggerty, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, was also received.
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Michigan merge despite Hoffa

Implicit warning to all AFL or CIO groups which fail to merge on the State level was given last week in Grand Rapids, Michigan, where the Michigan AFL and the Michigan CIO were merged despite the opposition of the AFL.

The Michigan AFL's opposition was due to the influence of James R. Hoffa, new international president of the Teamsters.

Peter M. McGavin and R. J. Thomas, assistants to AFLCIO President George Meany, guided

the founding convention after the AFLCIO Executive Council had revoked the charters of the former Michigan Federation of Labor and the Michigan Industrial Union Council and ordered the call to convention of all affiliated AFL and CIO unions in the state.

Despite an order from the former Michigan Federation of Labor not to attend the merger convention an overwhelming majority of AFL members in the state were represented at the
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Crowell, Maney on constitution writing group

Eddie Maney and Russ Crowell were back this week from a policy meeting of the newly chartered AFLCIO Laundry & Dry Cleaning International Union in Washington, D. C. to find that "while the cat's away the mice will play."

The mice in this case were nibbling at Laundry Workers 3012 of which Maney is the principal officer. Richard Groulx, assistant secretary of the Central Labor Council, identified the mice as a group of 8 or 10 representatives of the Teamsters and the laundry workers and dry cleaners international ousted by the AFLCIO for corruption.

The invading mice were headed, Groulx said, by Jack Williams of Los Angeles, director of organization for the Teamsters' combine with the ousted international of laundry workers and dry cleaners. With Williams as second chief mouse was Sid Boone, a member of the Los Angeles Laundry Drivers.

The mice, according to Mousetrapper Groulx, who was detailed to his task by CLC Secretary Robert S. Ash, visited every plant which has a contract with the local which Maney represents, and tried to nibble members back into the old discredited international.

"Workers who were approached told me," said Groulx, "that these fellows tried to get them to sign a petition which they claimed Walter East and Eddie Maney of their local were backing, to return to the old international."

East, former president of the CLC, is president of Local 3012.

Some 40 in scattered shops did sign under these assurances, and were much surprised when they learned what was up.

Maney and Crowell were equally surprised to learn what had been going on, when they got back from Washington, happy to think of the progress that had been made there toward setting up the new and clean international on a firm basis.

Representatives of laundry and dry cleaning locals with a membership of 27,000 were present, and others in sympathy with the meeting sent messages.

Peter McGavin, assistant to AFLCIO President George Meany, was present. The new international charter was installed, and a convention date of May 12-14 was set.

The basis of representation at the convention will be different from that which prevailed in the old ousted international, which was dominated by the voting of a few big locals. Instead, a new provision is that one delegate gets one vote for 200 members or less, up to 1000 members, and that one delegate gets one vote
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HOW TO BUY

Wage-earner's tax guide

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS
Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

While business owners and top executives get away with tax-deductible vacation lodges, country-club membership and yachts, the Government puts up a big fight to keep wage-earners from deducting such job expenses as work clothes. Twice last year the mighty U. S. Treasury Department won court rulings, in cases against a painter and a carpenter, that work clothes are not deductible.

According to the J. K. Lasser Tax Institute, the carpenter had deducted \$42 for buying overalls, and \$20 for laundering them. But the court ruled he had failed to show his employer required him to wear overalls, or that they were uniforms. Anyway, the court said, work clothes used merely to protect ordinary clothing are not deductible. Maybe the Treasury can't collect full taxes from oil and mining companies. They have special depletion allowances. But certainly it can nab carpenters and mechanics for an additional eleven bucks.

Not only are the tax laws obviously rigged against them, but working people themselves tend to give in to the squeeze play. A wage-earner's tax is deducted weekly. It is calculated on the basis of a ten percent allowance for deductions. He is then given a punch-card form which makes it easy to file his return, but doesn't allow him all potential deductions. This year, before you sign that simple but sometimes self-fooling Form 1040A, make sure you aren't entitled to more deductions than it allows.

You cannot claim the valuable sick-pay exclusion on the punch-card form. If you're single but head of a household, you can't get that potential tax-saver from Form 1040A. Nor, if you have a few mutual-fund or stock shares, can you get the four percent dividend credit, nor the retirement-income credit for people retired from full-time work.

You can take these tax-savers on Form 1040. This can be used either as a short or long form. If your potential deductions don't add up to ten percent, use

1040 as a short form by taking the optional ten percent allowance. If your deductions total more than ten percent, itemize them.

Here's a checklist of potential tax-savers wage-earners sometimes overlook.

GROSS INCOME DEDUCTIONS

Sick Pay: Whether or not you itemize deductions, you can subtract from gross income (on page 1 of Form 1040) up to \$100 a week of sick pay received after the first week of an illness. You can subtract the first week's pay too, if you were hospitalized at least one day, or your illness was due to an injury whether on the job or not.

Sideline Losses: You can deduct from your gross income any losses incurred in a sideline business, as a farm or other venture as long as you do operate it with the aim of earning profit.

Excess Social Security Tax: Be sure to take credit for excess Social Security payment if you had more than one employer during the year. You need pay Social Security tax on only up to \$4200 of total earnings for the year.

Bad Debts: Any unpaid debts, even loans to relatives, are deductible from gross income as long as you did make diligent efforts to collect.

Meat Roll

Try this tasty recipe for using leftover roast prepared in a brand new way.

2 cups flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup milk
4 tablespoons shortening
Sift dry ingredients. Cut in shortening. Add milk to make soft dough. Roll 1/4 inch thick. Spread with meat filling. Roll up like jelly roll. Cut slices 1 inch thick. Place slices in greased baking pan. Dot with shortening. Bake in hot oven (450°) about 15 minutes. Serve with left-over gravy.

For meat filling, combine 1 1/2 cups chopped left-over meat with 1 tablespoon minced onion, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper. Moisten with 3 tablespoons of left-over gravy.

To the Editor FROM the EDITOR

TOO MANY GUNS in the hands of reckless or unbalanced persons seems to be one of the troubles in this country. Certainly it is the duty of every mother to see to it that if her children are permitted to handle guns they should be trained thoroughly in the safe way to handle these deadly weapons.

You'd think that if a man had risen to the top star rank in the Army, he'd know how to handle any kind of a gun safely. But recently there was a picture in one of the papers of President Eisenhower sitting in a hunting wagon with his hands resting on the muzzle of a shotgun, and the gun pointing directly at his own head.

ONE REPORTER got this into the paper: "As he alighted from his automobile, the President swung his weapon in a broad arc that included most of the spectators. Once in the wagon, he put the butt between his feet and cupped his hands over the muzzle with the barrel resting against the seat and pointing straight at his head."

'IT WASN'T LOADED,' of course, but that's just the kind—the "unloaded" kind of gun that does so much killing in this country.

No wonder the President has trouble keeping up with these new bombs and sputniks. Apparently he went through all the ranks of the army from his cadetship at West Point to the very top without learning to handle a gun the right way.

If the President wants to know, the right way to carry a shotgun is: broken at the breech and pointed towards the ground through the crook of the right arm, whether "it isn't loaded" or is.

When a child gets angry

A child's anger should be respected, but not to the point of allowing him to smash vases and strike parents, a child psychologist warned recently.

He advises parents faced with such a situation to explain: "Sure you're angry. Everybody gets angry once in a while. But that's no reason to go around smashing things."

The oft-heard admonition "Don't bottle up anger," he says, is not a license to act like a hellion.

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Energy burners

Home economics researchers have conducted tests to show which housekeeping motions are the greatest energy burners. Among these are reaching above the level of the head, stooping, walking upstairs and downstairs, standing when working.

Tassels

To keep long-tassled bedspread and rug fringes from becoming tangled during laundering, the Cleanliness Bureau offers the following hint: Gather small groups of a half-dozen or more strands together and tie with a string at the tips.

Women in This World

By EDITH McCONN

IN THE WEST, we take dogs for granted. They are pummeled and played with by the kids, they are pampered to some extent, but they are still dogs, leading dogs' lives, sniffing gopher holes, chasing cats and romping with the boys as dogs have always done.

But in the great cities of the east, where dogs, as do their masters, live artificial apartment-house lives, the story is different.

To keep a dog at all is a great deal of trouble and expense, and for the most part, only fanatic dog lovers, or people of ample means, ever go to this trouble.

More and more, however, dogs have become fashionable, and women of means have come to consider a well-clipped poodle—a dog now much in vogue—as much a necessity as a well-tailored mink coat.

So many have turned up with milady at luncheon, for instance, that one famous New York restaurant has a special room set aside for their care while their mistresses eat.

These dogs also spend almost as much time in their own beauty parlors as do their mistresses, and at almost as great an expense. One "beauty parlor" specializes in poodles, and some of the treatments, including clipping and styling, cost as much as \$35 a visit.

There are also special food shops for these high-flying beasts which include many delicacies most dogs have never heard of.

Outfitting a dog is quite a business. A coat for resort wear, a rhinestone necklace, special towels, ski suits, checked raincoats, even black lace cocktail coats—all of these can run into sums that would make the family Airedale's eyes pop out.

And if the said rough-coated Airedale had a sense of humor, which fortunately he hasn't, the sight of one of these fantastically clipped canines, clad in cocktail coat and rhinestones, or booties and raincoat would make him laugh loudly.

These fancied-up pooches, however, are not aware of their sad plight. It is the only life they have ever known and they accept it with the loyal docility which has always endeared this species of mammal to that other strange mammal, man.

These dogs do not know that they are funny-looking. Neither do their mistresses, for so long as their dogs keep up with Jones' dogs, they are quite content.

And so, everybody is happy, including the country-bred Airedale and all his mongrel friends who are still leading dogs' lives—and not bad lives, at that!

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Knowland votes to keep postal wage rise down to 7½%

The Senate by a voice vote has passed S 27, a bill to increase the salaries of postal employees, as an amendment to HR 5836, the postal rate increase bill. This will provide an increase of 7½% plus a \$240.00 temporary cost of living bonus for three years to all postal employees in grades one through five, a \$160.00 bonus in the sixth level and an \$80.00 bonus in the seventh level.

"This is an annual increase, not a monthly raise," explains A. B. McClintock, secretary of the Postal Central Council here.

An attempt was made by Senator Carlson to amend the bill to a straight 8½%. This was defeated by a vote of 54 to 29.

"This was the key vote," says McClintock and Senator Wm. F. Knowland voted to defeat Carlson's amendment. However, Senator Thos. H. Kuchel again demonstrated his concern for a fair increase for postal workers by offsetting Senator Knowland's vote.

The bill now goes to the House conferees for discussion before coming up for a final vote. It is expected to pass, with perhaps some minor amendments and be ready for the President's signature or veto within two weeks.

13 weeks added to radio programs of Vandercook and Morgan by AFLCIO

WASHINGTON — Thirteen weeks' additional sponsorship of the ABC radio network news broadcasts of Edward P. Morgan and John W. Vandercook was voted by the AFLCIO Executive Council when in session at Miami Beach.

The programs were originally scheduled to go off the air at the end of March. The council decided to continue the two news shows through June while a subcommittee studies over-all public relations problems.

The subcommittee is composed of Vice Presidents Doherty, Beirne, Minton and Carey.—AFLCIO News.

Carpenters 36 is active in council

Delegates from Carpenters Local 36 played a very active part in the Carpenters State Council convention at Monterey last week at which a member of the local, Chester R. Bartolini, was elected president of the State Council.

Delegates from Local 36 were President J. Walsh, Vice President Joseph F. Hightower, and Business Representatives C. E. Risley and Al Thoman. Bartolini went as a delegate from the Bay Council District Council of Carpenters, of which he is executive secretary.

Oscar N. Anderson, recording secretary of Local 36, calls attention in the Official Notices column of East Bay Labor Journal this week to the fact that at the coming meeting of the local reports on the convention will probably be made.

The votes cast at the convention for Bartolini and others in the three-cornered race which won him the presidency will be found in the story of the convention in this issue.

More jobless, more crimes, is report

"Continuing widespread unemployment is going to pose a police problem of major proportions in this area," says R. E. McDonnell, research director for the Oakland police department.

He pointed out that 21.3 percent more serious crimes were reported last month than in the corresponding month last year. With fewer crimes against persons, there were more against property.

McClellan: 'Kohler trying to smear'

Chairman John L. McClellan of the Senate committee investigating relations between management and labor unions this week accused the Kohler Company of hiring a photographer to take pictures that might be used to smear members and agents of the Senate committee.

The committee is investigating the long strike and boycott of the United Auto Workers against the big plumbing ware manufacturing company.

McClellan closely questioned George C. Gallati, an official of the plumbing ware firm, as to his motives in ordering a photographer to take pictures concerned with the hearing. McClellan kept demanding to know if the Kohler Company had especially arranged to "catch" committee members in conversation with Joseph L. Rauh Jr., UAW attorney and former head of Americans for Democratic Action.

The Kohler official finally admitted that he had suggested to the photographer the taking of such a picture.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal.

WHAT'S UNEMPLOYMENT? OH, YOU MEAN GIANTS OR PATROL UNIFORMS?

Governor Knight disappointed both the State CIO and the State AFL this week by failure to include in his call for a special session of the Legislature the subject of unemployment and proposed steps to meet it. Both State labor groups had asked him to include unemployment.

He listed 28 themes the special session can discuss, including getting ready for the San Francisco Giants and what kind of uniforms the State Highway Patrol should wear.

The special session runs concurrently with the budget session, but does not have to end by March 31 as does the budget session.

Teamsters legislative group much increased

Einar Mohn, new head of the Western Conference of Teamsters, chaired a meeting in San Francisco this week which voted to increase the Teamsters State legislative group from 21 to 262.

Ward suit admits boycott hits hard

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here is strongly backing the boycott of the Oakland store, and the Building Trades Council at its February 18 meeting discussed the matter in terms which East Bay Labor Journal summarized in its February 21 issue as follows:

"Montgomery Ward & Company in Oakland and throughout the United States is a non-union anti-union rat scabby fink outfit, and should be boycotted by every union member and every friend of labor."

Hawkins analyzes civil rights laws

Assemblyman August F. Hawkins of Los Angeles has issued an analysis briefly citing "a list of laws directly relating to our civil rights in California."

Additional reports will be issued by him.

"The subject of civil rights," says Hawkins, "is of current and paramount interest."

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U. S. Government Bonds . . .	8,651,594.24	7,915,426.45
Other Bonds . . .	2,248,949.00	2,044,853.08
Other Current Assets . . .	1,071,951.87	782,780.38
Fixed Assets (Net) . . .	661,689.79	667,587.37
Total Assets . . .	\$13,757,360.57	\$12,356,232.87
LIABILITIES:	1957	1956
Benefits Expense Payable . . .	\$ 4,100,000.00	\$ 2,700,000.00
Unearned Subscriptions . . .	2,012,114.54	1,840,006.63
Taxes and Accounts Payable . . .	531,848.37	795,010.23
Total Liabilities . . .	6,643,962.91	5,335,016.86
GENERAL RESERVE . . .	7,113,397.66	7,021,216.01
Total Liabilities and Reserves . . .	\$13,757,360.57	\$12,356,232.87

OPERATING STATEMENT

INCOME:	1957	1956
Subscriptions Earned . . .	\$30,936,495.67	\$26,455,124.20
Interest and Other Income (Net) . . .	345,747.43	276,111.04
Total Income . . .	\$31,282,243.10	\$26,731,235.24
EXPENSE:	1957	1956
Benefits Expense . . .	\$29,480,798.76	\$25,021,190.38
Operating Expense . . .	1,709,262.69	1,607,056.54
Total Expense . . .	31,190,061.45	26,628,246.92
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Strip teasing for cash reported to be GOP gals' plan

During the last campaign to elect Ike on the ground that he was liked, or something, special campaign trucks unloaded gals clad in very sketchy clothes who bicycled around on the streets of Oakland to the delectation of the citizens.

Now, according to George Dixon, writing from Washington in the S. F. Examiner of February 18, strip tease is to be used by Republican gals to raise money for their candidates.

Dixon writes that a brochure issued by the National Federation of Republican Women, after telling various ways of raising money, concludes with this device:

"Strip tease. This would be a big hit in some localities, but bad taste in others. An evening affair, with good dinner and, if permissible, cocktails preceding.

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Whether Senator Knowland plans to use this method for raising money to put over "right to work" is not known.

Assemblyman Burton asks for session on jobless

Assemblyman Philip Burton, (Dem., S. F.) has joined the CIO Committee for Political Action in urging Governor Knight to call a special session to consider the unemployment problem in California.

Labor's 7 ways to end the recession

WASHINGTON — AFLCIO spokesmen have urged an immediate program to halt the recession and put the jobless millions back to work.

Hyman Bookbinder, of the AFLCIO legislative department, and Nat Goldfinger, AFLCIO economist, called for:

1. Public works, including public housing, hospitals, libraries, schools, and flood control.
2. Increasing the personal income tax exemption by \$100.
3. Increasing levels and duration of unemployment compensation payments.
4. Extending coverage of the minimum wage law to workers in retail stores, laundries, hotels and restaurants, and increasing the minimum to \$1.25 an hour.
5. Improvement of social security by increasing old age benefits and providing hospital care for persons on old age pensions.
6. Assistance to economically distressed communities.
7. Increased wages without increased prices.—AFLCIO News.

Textile workers getting \$415,996 in back wages

WASHINGTON—Nearly 11,000 workers in the cotton textile industry will get \$415,996 in back wages accrued while the 49 firms employing them fought a \$1 minimum wage determination by Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell. It is the largest single recovery of back pay since the enactment of the Walsh-Healey Act in 1936.—AFLCIO News.

FIRST STATE LABOR bureau was established in 1868 by Massachusetts, the U. S. Labor Department notes in its Brief History of the American Labor Movement.

Chips and Chatter

By AL THOMAN

The Carpenters convention at Monterey opened Tuesday, February 25th at 10:00 a.m. with the apprentice committee. From then on it was a real education to me. I have heard it is not possible to overturn an incumbent administration from the floor. You can be sure this is possible the results say so.

In effect we have established a 21-man executive board advised by all the business agents and meeting at least three times a year statewide to make and effect uniform policy for us from San Diego to Eureka.

This makes a lot of work for all of us; but should make for common reaction to problems from all of us to our mutual benefit.

The state has grown too big for the one man rule it has had for thirty years since the State Council was first organized but this also means we must face our own problems squarely and with good judgment.

Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

Several weeks ago, we wrote that we were successful in stopping a \$4.50 newspaper advertisement being run by B & O Jewelers of 88 Second Street, San Francisco. We can now report that we are in the process of attempting to get this establishment unionized.

Last week we wrote about Ainsley "Ed" Edmonds having been severely burned. This is to advise that his condition is such that visitors are not allowed. If you know Ainsley, a get-well card will have to be sufficient at this time. Cards can be sent to the San Jose Hospital.

We will notify you when visitors are allowed.

Painters Local No. 127

By J. S. MILLER

In last weeks report mention was made relative to the members sixty five years of age or over. I should have stated that under the provisions now in effect only members who have a record of having worked 2500 hours in the past three years are entitled to come under this provision of the welfare plan.

At the last meeting of your local union there was a very lively discussion of the dues structure in the different localities around the Bay Area. Also a number of other issues that would give the lie to Mr. Knowland and his cohorts in his right to wreck proposition.

By the time you read this your office will have the information and blanks for the vacation set-up. There is a great deal more to explain about this so I would advise that you come to the next meeting March 13th and get all the information first hand. The delegates from the State Conference of Painters will give their report and it should be very interesting, due to the new orders being sent by the general office.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Rogers, it's a boy, February 25th, ten pounds and twenty inches.

Last weeks fishing was pretty good for my partner, he took a shovel along and dug a hole in the muddy Sacramento River and dropped his line, he got all the fish. I tried to hit the hole but missed and only got two, total fish thirty.

Paint Makers' 1101

By PETE CEREMELLO

It was with profound regret that we learned of the death recently of the wife of our brother Buck Kemp.

We know what an irreparable loss he has suffered and we realize that no word of ours can soften his sorrow. But we do want to express to him our deepest sympathy and the hope that the kind wishes of their many friends will make their grief just a little easier to bear.

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First nominations for COPE; recessed until March 18th

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Workers; Leon McCool, Carpenters.

For Vice President: J. L. Childers of BTC; Lew Blix, Dental Technicians; Russ Crowell, Cleaners.

For Secretary-Treasurer: Robert S. Ash, was the only one nominated, and when Ernie Perry, who was presiding, formally asked him if he accepted the nomination, and Ash murmured, "I accept," there was applause.

For Trustees: Les Moore, Painters; Ken Crosswell, Communications Workers; Joseph Pruss, Sheet Metal Workers; Fran Kaczmarek, Culinary; Jack Austin, Typographical; 5 candidates for the 3 places.

For Sergeant - at - Arms: Al Thoman, Carpenters.

For Executive Committee there were 27 nominations for the 15 places, as follows: Floyd Attaway, Culinary; O. K. Mitchell, Shipyard Laborers; Al Brown, Milk Drivers; Ed Reith, Building Service; Ralph Steinhaus, Teachers; John Hutchinson, Teachers; Charles Roe, Carpenters, Stan Kintner; Gratalee Reese, Glass Bottle Blowers; Romildo Caruso, Auto Workers; John Ferro, Printing Specialties; Paul Fleishman, Butchers; Frank Robello, Auto Workers; Leah Newberry, Office Employees; Len Lawson, Communications Workers; Joe Hightower, Carpenters; Wayne Gardner; Edrie Wright, Culinary; Joseph Pruss, Sheet Metal Workers; Harris Wilkin, Food Clerks; C. L. Dellums, Sleeping Car Porters; Roby Pierce, Steelworkers; Charles Geroni, Linoleum Layers; Andre LaRoche, Painters; Andrew Swanson, Painters; Floyd Bueno; Ken Steadman, Steelworkers.

Hightower suggested that only formally authorized delegates to COPE participate, but Ash and others argued that the whole thing is in a formative state, and that so long as no candidate's name goes on the ballot unless he or she is formally qualified, the best thing to do was to let all present participate. This policy was followed.

Ash said it was urgent to get going, as the campaign to elect Jeff Cohelan to Congress in the 7th District is crucial, and the fight against "right to work" decides whether labor stands or falls.

MECHANICS' UNION of Trade Associations, was formed in 1827, made up of unions of skilled craftsmen in different trades, in Philadelphia. This was the first city central type of organization on record, the U. S. Labor Department points out in its Brief History of the American Labor Movement.

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AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS 1546

You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

Election of delegates to the California State Pipe Trades Council convention to be held April 25, 26, and 27, 1958, at Hotel Leamington, Oakland will be held at the special called membership meeting to be held March 20, 1958. The polls will be open from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Also, at this election the members will vote to apply the .25¢ increase already negotiated effective July 1, 1958, as wages or on a vacation plan.

Fraternally yours,
JAMES MARTIN,
Financial Secretary,
Business Manager

CARPENTERS 194

Members are requested to attend a special called meeting, Friday, March 7, 1958, at 8 p.m. at Eagles Hall 2305 Alameda Avenue, Alameda, Calif.

The purpose of the special call is to vote on the 2½ cent fringe benefit that will go for health and welfare, vacation or wages.

The 2½ cents per hour benefit will be effective June 15, 1958.

Please make every effort to attend this important meeting and exercise your vote.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. NIXON,
Recording Secretary

PAINTERS LOCAL 127

Hope to see you at the next meeting of the Local March 13, 1958.

Fraternally yours,
EDGAR S. GULBRANSEN,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 194, 1158 & 1473

The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone TWinoaks 3-1120.

HAYWARD CULINARY 823

The next regular meeting will be held at union headquarters at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 11.

Fraternally,
ROY WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Our next regular meeting will be held March 7.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
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Blood donors are needed for the son of Richard Dick, a journeyman of this Local. John, his young son has a very rare heart condition that is going to require surgery and it is expected that about 21 pints of blood will be needed. Anyone who can donate blood for the boy may do so by contacting the Blood Bank of the Alameda-Contra Costa County Medical Association at 6230 Claremont Ave., Oakland, OLYmpic 4-2924.

Fraternally yours,
LLOYD CHILD,
Business Representative

CARPENTERS 36

There will be a special called meeting, Friday at 8 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 - 12th Street, Oakland, Calif., March 14, 1958, to vote on the following:

1. Whether to apply our 2½ cents raise on our contract to wages, pensions or health and welfare.
2. To consider the possibility of a one dollar contribution to the State Federation of Labor, to help fight the right-to-work issue, with the possible inclusion of a one dollar donation by each member.
3. Appointment or election of a member to attend the CLPE convention in San Francisco, Calif., April 14, 1958.
4. The request for changes in the by-laws of the Local Union of Sections 17 and 18.
5. It is also the recommendation of the bylaws committee that a revision of the bylaws is contemplated and any member desiring to submit any changes in these bylaws do so in writing to the recording secretary.
6. We also expect to show a very good film on the right-to-work issue, if it is at all available at this time.
7. Delegates to the State Carpenters convention may also make their reports.
8. Shall we have a Credit Union?

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1473

There will be a Special Called meeting on Friday, March 7, 1958 at 8:00 p.m. in Eagle Hall, 1228 36th Avenue, Oakland. Vote will be taken on how the extra 2½ cents will be placed on June 15, 1958 when the next raise on our contract is effective.

Fraternally,
J. W. KIRKMAN,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 1158

Special called meeting Friday, March 14, 1958 at 8 p.m. at 2108 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley to vote as to where to use the optional 2½ cents per hour in our agreement effective June 15, 1958.

Refreshments.
Fraternally,
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Doug MacArthur's outfit picketed

General MacArthur's Remington Rand Corporation was being picketed this week in Oakland, San Francisco, San Jose, Salinas, Fresno, Bakersfield, and Sacramento by Business Machine Service Local 852 of the International Union of Electrical Workers.

The picketing is the result of a breakdown of negotiations in New York between representatives of the 1200 IUE members who are employed by the company over the nation, and the management.

William Drohan at the IUE office here said there are some 15 members of the union employed at the Oakland office, 2035 Franklin Street.

The company, with General Doug MacArthur as chairman of the board, had of late been ostensibly cultivating good relations with the union, sponsoring a "Miss Union Secretary" contest and putting the label on its typewriters, etc.

'Non-productive work costs' to be ended by labor-employer pacts

WASHINGTON — An understanding aimed at eliminating "non-productive work costs" on heavy construction jobs has been reached by the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFLCIO and the National Constructors Association.

A set of 10 principles listing the agreement was to be drawn up and made public. The development was announced by John O'Connell, Chairman of a joint employer-union study committee that has been giving close attention to the problem over the past three years.

Some 75,000 workers are employed by the 26 firms which comprise the Employers' Association.—AFLCIO News.

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'Many unemployed but like Administration imports cheap labor'

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California State Federation of Labor, has charged that the Eisenhower administration should immediately halt the importation of foreign contract workers to California in view of the state's unemployment problem.

Haggerty charged that it was shocking that the federal government would cooperate with big growers in building a cheap farm labor market at a time when a quarter of a million workers in California were searching for employment.

Refunds on disability insurance available

Employees who have contributed more than \$30 for state disability insurance during 1957 may reclaim the extra payment by applying to the State Department of Employment by June 30, the department announced this week.

Deductions of 1 percent are made from wages up to \$3,000 a year for disability. Employees who work for two or more employers may have had more than the legal \$30 deducted.

Forms on which to claim the refunds are available at local Department of Employment offices.

New Bakery Union has its label now

MIAMI BEACH — Adoption of a union label by the two-month-old American Bakery and Confectionary Workers was announced by Secretary-Treasurer Joseph Lewis of the Union Label and Service Trades Department.

The union was created by workers opposed to the corrupt leadership of the old Bakery union, which was expelled by the AFLCIO convention in December.

Daniel Conway, acting president of the new ABC union, pledged the union label group that the new union will "actively publicize our label, and give full support to all labels and to your department."

Conway announced the ABC will participate in the union industries show to be conducted by the Union Label Department in Cincinnati, April 25-30.

Two new vice presidents were elected by the Union Label Department during its Executive Board meeting at Miami Beach. Joseph D. Keenan, an AFLCIO vice president and secretary of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, was elected sixth vice president; and Arthur P. Gildea, secretary-treasurer of the United Brewery Workers, was named seventh vice president.—AFLCIO News.

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Michigan merge despite Hoffa

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Grand Rapids Civic Auditorium where the convention was called to order, with McGavin as temporary chairman.

McGavin told the delegates, "your presence here means you are carrying out the concepts of the AFLCIO national constitution and shows that the Executive Council acted wisely in the interest of the workers of Michigan in calling this convention. Delegates from AFL locals attending this convention came of their own free will because we certainly had no cooperation from the Michigan Federation of Labor in contacting these locals."

The convention overrode slight opposition to increase the per capita tax to 6 cents. AFL unions formerly paid 4 cents and CIO unions 5 cents.

The newly elected president of the merged group, August Scholle, pleaded for the increase to help carry on political action. "We are not going to retrogress, we are going to expand our activities," Scholle explained.

The AFLCIO News reported: "A nuisance picket line was thrown around the Pantlind Hotel, where most of the delegates were registered, the day before the convention opened, by the Grand Rapids Building and Construction Trades Council over an alleged dispute. This occurred despite a letter signed by the hotel management on Saturday that all future construction work in the hotel would be performed by AFLCIO unions. The picket line was withdrawn later."

McGavin sent a wire and a letter to George Dean and Jack Thorpe of the former Michigan Federation of Labor authorizing

Raymond H. Rapaport, attorney retained by the AFLCIO, to act in his behalf in securing the charter, all of the funds, properties, books and assets of the federation.

The state CIO council complied with Meany's order to turn over its charter and assets of \$1.25 million to Thomas.

AFLCIO President George Meany, unable to attend the convention because of the pressure of previous commitments, sent a message to the delegates which read in part:

"Unmerged states pose a problem and a deterrent to labor on a national scale that retards our progress, our aims and our ambitions. Merger at the national level has been functioning, beyond the fondest hopes of all of us, for more than two years. You have a job to do that the whole nation will be watching. Do it well, like all free trade unionists do their jobs. Adopt a constitution and elect a slate of officers you will be proud of."

President Scholle's salary was set at \$12,500. Executive Vice President George Murphy and Secretary - Treasurer Barney Hopkins will receive \$12,000.

Scholle was former president of the CIO Council, Murphy an international representative of the Allied Industrial Workers, formerly the UAW-AFL, and Hopkins held the same post with the CIO Council.

There were nearly 1200 delegates present from 537 local bodies.

JOB INJURIES during 1957 disabled 1,930,000 American workers, preliminary estimates of the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics show.

More unemploy'm't insurance urged

WASHINGTON — With millions persons jobless, the unemployment compensation insurance law needs improvement to aid the jobless and to provide the economy with a stimulus.

Senator John F. Kennedy (D., Mass.), and Rep. Eugene J. McCarthy (D., Minn.), made this statement in a discussion of bills they have introduced to increase unemployment compensation payments to 50 percent of a worker's wage and extend payments for as long as 39 weeks. They were interviewed on the AFLCIO public service radio program, "Washington Reports to the People."

"Some states are now paying as low as \$28 and \$30 a week to unemployed workers," Kennedy asserted. "You can't live on that. Recent statistics show that it costs a single woman \$51 a week as a minimum in some of our major cities. And most of the people drawing unemployment compensation have families to support."

Family food bill bigger than ever

The San Francisco worker's family food bill was bigger than ever in January, according to Max D. Kossoris, Western Regional Director of the U. S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

At 121.2 (1947-49=100), the Bureau's index of retail food prices reached a new all-time high, 1.4 percent above December 1957, and 4.2 percent higher than in January 1957.

Bartalini elected president of Carpenters State Council

Chester R. Bartalini, Carpenters 36, secretary of the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters, was elected president of the State Council of Carpenters at the 30th annual convention of that body held in Monterey last week.

Bartalini is a delegate from Local 36 to the Building Trades Council, taking a very active part in its deliberations. He is a resident of the city of Alameda.

Bartalini was elected president in a three cornered race, succeeding Joseph F. Cambiano, San Mateo, E. A. "Al" Brown, Santa Rosa, business representative of the North Coast Counties District Council ran third.

Gordon McCullough, Los Angeles District Council, was elected vice - president, succeeding Harry J. Harkleroad, Orange County District Council, who was the successful candidate for secretary-treasurer. Other candidates for vice-president were A. L. Henderson, San Diego District Council, and Paul A. Hill Jr., Local Union No. 743, Bakersfield, representing independent unions not affiliated with District Councils.

Ernest T. Aronson, Local Union No. 483, San Francisco, and incumbent secretary-treasurer, declined nomination for reelection. Harkleroad won out over Gordon Troutman, Los Angeles District Council.

The reorganization program was covered by a series of five resolutions sponsored by Bartalini's supporters. The projected changes must be submitted to a statewide referendum and reported on within 60 days.

The major change gives broader representation on the executive board, which acts on council matters between conventions. Instead of an eight man board as at present, consisting of the president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and five district board members from areas set out in the Constitution, the projected proposal provides for a 20-man board, consisting of the president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, the executive officers of each of the 15 affiliated district councils, and two members at large to be elected by caucus at the convention by

delegates representing independent unions, one each for the Northern and Southern counties.

Another major change makes the secretary-treasurer the full time executive officer of the Council and spells out his duties in detail. The secretaryship has been full time for two years, but the president was the executive officer. The convention voted down a proposal for a full time president in view of the change in executive power from the president to the secretary.

San Diego was unanimously selected as the 1959 convention city, with Sacramento already putting in its bid for 1960 when the convention is due to be held in the North.

The vote on the three senior officers was: president, Bartalini 194, Cambiano 72, Brown 44; vice-president, McCullough 207, Hill 51, Henderson 49; secretary-treasurer, Harkleroad 192, Troutman 116.

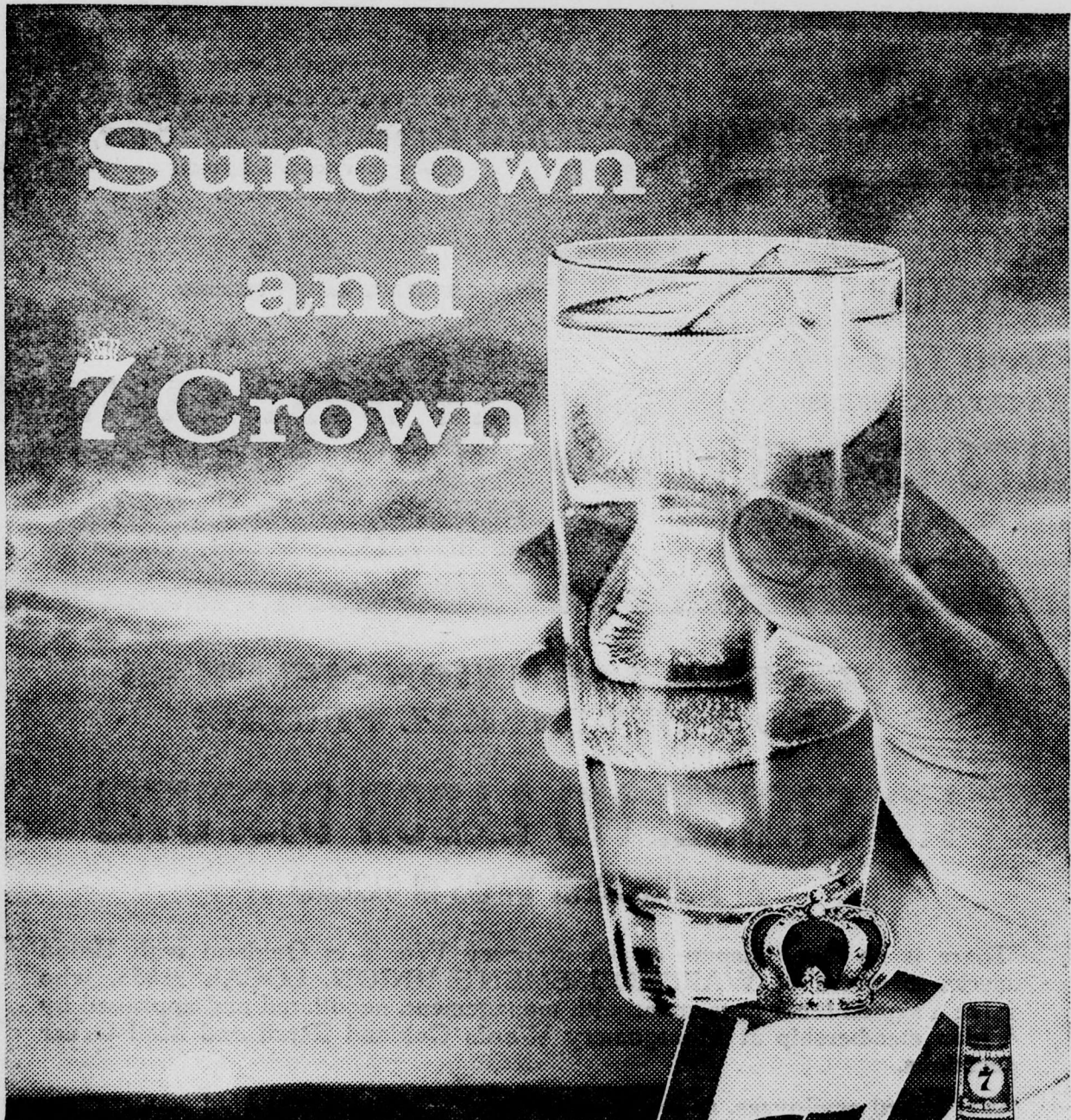
The five executive board members, chosen under the existing constitution by caucus, are: District No. 1, William Sidell, Los Angeles District Council; District No. 2, Don Meyers, Local 1235, Modesto; District No. 3, Joe Kiefer, Santa Clara Valley Council; District No. 4, Gail Gordon, Local 1903, Grass Valley; and District No. 5, J. W. Howard, San Bernardino - Riverside District Council. Howard was reelected and the other four are all new.

Brother Cambiano, a member of Local 162, San Mateo, was one of the founders of the State Council in 1928 and has served as president ever since. He is also a member of the General Executive Board of the Brotherhood, for the 6th District, comprising several Western States and Hawaii.

Both he and Secretary Aronson were given a rising vote of applause at the close of the session.

10-WEEK STRIKE at the Lagro, Ind., plant of the Celotex Corp. has ended with a revised seniority setup and a wage package of 15 cents an hour for about 160 members of Local 563, Pulp, Sulphite & Paper Mill Workers.

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'Put America back to work' rally in capital Tuesday!

WASHINGTON — Congressmen and senators will get a firsthand fill-in on the severity of the current recession when over 1,000 trade unionists hit town March 11 for the AFLCIO's emergency conference to put America back to work.

AFLCIO President George Meany and Secretary-Treasurer William F. Schnitzler in the official call to the emergency conference on unemployment declared all delegates during the three-day confab will visit Capitol Hill to tell their senators and congressmen "the facts of the unemployment situation" and urge immediate action.

Meany and Schnitzler urged all national and international unions, state and central bodies and directly affiliated unions to send delegations of responsible officials from all geographical areas "in like numbers as their delegate strength at national conventions of the AFLCIO."

The top AFLCIO officers declared that "America is now in the midst of a serious economic recession. Unemployment is rising at an alarming rate; already 25 percent of our vast manufacturing capacity stands idle. Unless action is taken promptly, the situation will grow more serious."

"The lack of purchasing power, represented by the nearly 5 million jobless, will in turn cause new unemployment. The vicious circle will widen and today's recession will become more serious."

"The AFLCIO is determined that this must not happen."

"To that end the AFLCIO Executive Council has authorized the convening of an emergency national AFLCIO Economic and Legislative Conference."

"The purpose of this conference will be to arouse the federal government, the Congress of the United States and the country at large to these dangers and the need for prompt, remedial action."

"America can and must be put back to work."

"That is the only possible solution to our problems."

The conference will convene March 11 at the Sheraton Park Hotel here and run through March 13.—AFLCIO News.

ROBERT E. HASKIN, president of the Bookbinders for the last five years and a veteran of 60 years in the trade union movement, died in Chicago after a long illness. He was 82.

BTC stresses war on open shop plan

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tion, was read by BTC Secretary John Davy in which Haggerty said:

"I am urging each executive officer of every organization, or other designated person or persons, to contact personally every employer with whom a union security agreement has been negotiated, explaining the nature of the impending threat, and requesting that he allow the use of his name to help protect himself, labor, and the economic welfare of California against the proposed initiative measure to upset employer-employee relations."

Haggerty points out that the mere sending of letters to employers would not be adequate, that there should be full and friendly discussion of the matter such as can only be achieved by personal contact.

Many employers, says Haggerty, "have freely negotiated with your organizations various types of union security provisions which would be outlawed by the 'right to wreck' initiative. Collective agreements with such provisions, including the union shop, maintenance membership clauses and other forms of union security, number approximately 89 percent of contracts in existence in this State."

Haggerty adds that it is reasonable to suppose that the unions will find many employers willing to go on record as opposed to the "right to work" proposal, since "most of the employers involved recognize that the union security provisions they negotiated have provided the essential basis for the development of peaceful, constructive, and responsible collective bargaining and labor-management relations under which they, as individual employers, have prospered."

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!

'THE SENATOR' BOASTS OF HIS LABOR RECORD

Headline in Senator Knowland's Tribune Tuesday:

"Senator's Record of Labor Listed: Support in Legislature, Congress Illustrated in 16-Point Outline."

Point 7: "Voted for the Taft-Hartley Act . . ."

New Laundry Union repels 'mice' raid

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for each 1000 members thereafter in a local.

Crowell and Maney are both on a committee to draw up a new constitution, and Crowell and Henry Romiguere of the San Francisco cleaners local are on the subcommittee charged with the details of drafting. The committee on the constitution will meet three days before the convention and agree on the final draft to be submitted to the convention.

McGavin is trustee in charge until the time of the convention.

Ralph Fagan, president of the ousted international, has been insisting that there was no reason his outfit should meet the conditions laid down for remaining in the united labor group, because his outfit had not been corrupt. But Friday of last week, before the policy conference ended, McGavin told Maney and Crowell and the other delegates that Fagan has now gotten in touch with him, and has offered to meet all the conditions that the AFLCIO had demanded!

McGavin told the delegates that he informed Fagan the only way back into the AFLCIO is through the new international. But he acceded to Fagan's request to meet with him at some later date and listen to Fagan's line.

So all in all, Crowell and Maney felt that while the mice back here didn't get very far, the cats are doing very well, thank you.

Former chief justice heads Mosk campaign

John W. Preston, former justice of the California Supreme Court, has accepted chairmanship of the Judge Stanley Mosk for Attorney General Committee, it was announced.

"I believe Judge Stanley Mosk, with his fifteen years of distinguished judicial service, has outstanding qualifications for attorney general," Justice Preston said. "He is admirably equipped by education, temperament and experience to succeed Pat Brown as the state's chief law enforcement officer."

Mosk has been endorsed for the post by the California Democratic Council.

Ernie Webb is put in safe 4-yr. spot

Ernie Webb, former secretary-treasurer of the Long Beach Central Labor Council, and for some years State director of industrial relations, has been put in a nice safe spot where he will be out of the weather for four years no matter who's elected Governor.

Governor Knight has transferred him from the Industrial Relations Department directorship to the State Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board. The term of office is four year.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal.

WHAT'S DOING



J. E. Madrigall your telephone manager in East Oakland and San Leandro



Care for a look at some unusual phones? Here are a couple of experimental types. You'll agree they're quite a change from the phones you use every day. So we've asked a number of people to try them out at home for a month. In the foreground is a new-style bedroom phone. The phone at left is even more unusual. The dial's built right into the handset. Naturally, it's too early to tell if either of these phones will ever go into regular service. But our aim is to find out what telephone users think of them. For what we learn from tests like this will help set the style of your future telephone.



You know that wire that runs from your phone to the pole outside? It's called a drop wire. With lots of new phones going in, you've probably seen phone men hooking up these wires. Most always, they have a few small pieces left over. Do they throw these pieces away? Not at all! These "leftovers" are put together into lengths of wire we can use somewhere else. Just like a budget-minded housewife, we make good use of our scraps!

California Conservation week will be observed throughout the state from March 7 to 14. And this is a good time for all of us to take steps to preserve California's Natural Resources. Conservation authorities pointed out that Californians all have a big stake in this, and there are many things we as individuals can do. We can support tree-planting programs that beautify cities and rural areas. We can conserve water at both ends of the pipe line. That means protecting water resources—and not wasting water. We can practice "Outdoor Good Manners" and prevent the littering up of cities, roads, camp grounds and countryside. And we can all give our support to the conservation clubs that are working to safeguard our soil minerals, forest, water and wildlife.

You've Made a Big Success

IN YOUR BOYCOTT OF MONTGOMERY WARD'S OAKLAND STORE.
WE AND THE ENTIRE AFLCIO THANK YOU!

The arrogant corporation which has made anti-unionism a policy wouldn't be going to court if your boycott hadn't been successful. The corporation doesn't want to follow the civilized practice of collective bargaining, so now your boycott has driven them to hunt for refuge in technicalities.

The recent international convention of the AFLCIO gave full backing to the nationwide strike and boycott of the Retail Clerks against Montgomery Ward & Co., and appointed a special committee to assist us. Your participation in the boycott is bringing results. Again we thank you!

Fraternally,

DEPARTMENT & SPECIALTY STORE
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By his vipers he stands with his snakebite cure

Even with Senator Knowland and his allied open shop advocates busy as they are this year, some union members still fail to realize the importance of legislation against labor.

When the Taft Hartley Act was passed ten years ago, even some union members assumed that it would be just some ink on paper, and wouldn't really affect the operations of unions. At that time the warning was sounded by informed labor people that some of the clauses of a law hostile to labor might lie unused for years, like snakes in winter, and that then these snakes would crawl out on a hot day and inflict serious wounds.

Just that is what happened in the case of the clause in the Taft-Hartley Act which provides that only scabs may vote in an election to determine whether or not a union shall continue to represent the workers in a plant. That clause lay dormant a long time, but at last the snake crawled out and bit the strikers belonging to the United Rubber Workers who were picketing the O'Sullivan rubber heel plant in Winchester, Va. The scabs, some months ago, voting under the Taft-Hartley Act, with the URW members debarred from voting, voted to have the plant run nonunion.

But that was only the beginning of the snakebite. This week a hearing was held by the NLRB on a complaint filed by NLRB General Counsel Jerome D. Fenton against the United Rubber Workers charging the union with unfair practices in continuing to picket and boycott O'Sullivan after losing the decertification.

It's also against the law, Fenton's complaint asserts, for the international union to continue to picket and boycott the plant after losing the election at which its members were not allowed to vote.

That's "union democracy" for you! First disfranchise the members of a union for exerting their constitutional right to strike; then prevent them from picketing or boycotting. In other words, destroy the union in the plant.

Senator Knowland, who was handed the leadership of the Republican Party in the Senate by the late Senator Taft, whose name is in the Taft-Hartley Act—this same Senator Knowland goes around advocating "union democracy." Yet he is for the T-H Act which authorizes such shameful perversion of democracy as that which Mr. Eisenhower's NLRB is now pushing to its "logical" conclusion in Virginia.

The latest snake to crawl out from the rocks where it has been hiding is the June 1 deadline which Fenton has set for a drastic change in hiring arrangements for building trades workers, alleged to be necessary under terms of the Taft-Hartley Law.

This new snake is naturally being discussed at the AFLCIO Building and Construction Trades Department legislative meeting in Washington this week.

Senator Knowland can be counted on to stand by with his little bottle of snakebite cure, ready to help Fenton.

And don't forget that it's in the Taft-Hartley Act, Mr. Knowland's favorite labor act, that there is the clause which authorizes States to take even more reactionary steps against labor than the T-H Act itself does. Under that clause Senator Knowland and his reactionary allies are now pressing the open shop "right to work" initiative.

All these snakes are tied together, a writhing slimy bundle of envenomed fangs. And back of the bundle of snakes stands Senator Knowland with his bottle of snakebite cure, "union democracy"!

Postal workers' civil rights

The United Postal Workers local in San Francisco is a small one, but the issue between it and the Post Office Department is a big one. The American Civil Liberties Union has realized this, and deserves the gratitude of all labor for intervening in the case which raises the issue.

Two officials of the United Postal Workers are charged with the heinous offense of picketing the San Francisco Post Office last November. They were picketing to present the grievances of their members against the Post Office Department. Now they are threatened with dismissal from the service.

This whole question of the Government's dealing with the unions of the many hundreds of thousands of workers employed by it is one that can't be left where it now stands, or rather, where it now lies recumbent on the floor to be walked over by top bureaucrats.

Under the anti-labor Eisenhower Administration the question has grown more serious. Let's hope the ultimate outcome of this case in San Francisco helps to improve the situation.



LABOR AND EDUCATION: JUDGE MURPHY'S PLAN

Superior Judge Joseph A. Murphy of Alameda County has worked out in some detail a proposal for increasing the number of badly needed school teachers in the State, and at the same time building a better relationship between organized labor and the school system.

Judge Murphy has discussed his plan with Manuel Dias of Oakland, president of the State CIO Council, and with some other labor people. His plan proceeds on the assumption that out of the well over a million members of labor unions in California some 900,000 of them might be enough interested in education to contribute a dollar a year to the creating of a tax-free foundation.

This would give the proposed foundation a \$900,000 annual income. Some research he has made indicates the cost of administering the foundation would be about \$50,000 a year, leaving a net \$850,000 with which to finance the education as teachers of sons and daughters of labor union members who could apply at the conclusion of their junior or third year in high school for a scholarship. He suggests that they should have an average grade of "B" or "2" with leadership ability, aptitude, ability to adjust themselves to changing conditions, and finally a real desire to teach.

Since research shows that a

Guildsman

The undersigned officers of the Newspaper Guild of New York wish to go on record as objecting very strenuously to the reported attack made by Michael J. Quill, Transport Workers Union president, on A. H. Raskin, labor reporter of The New York Times, and upon the press in general at yesterday's Transport Workers Union meeting.

While the guild supports the legitimate aims of the transit workers in seeking a satisfactory contract with the Transit Authority, we do not believe that these aims can be achieved by unfair attacks upon one of the outstanding labor reporters and active members of the Newspaper Guild. Abe Raskin has long been regarded as an honest, fair and objective reporter for his paper. His record of fighting for the lower paid worker in the Guild is a long and honorable one.

As officers of the Newspaper Guild of New York we wish the public to know that Mr. Quill's attack was unfair, unwarranted and unjustified. We have today wired Mr. Quill and demanded that he make a public apology to Raskin and the press and retract his statement.—N. Y. Guild statement.

young man or woman who teaches for two years usually goes on doing so for a minimum period of 5 to 7 years, the applicant should agree to repay the cost of the scholarship if he or she fails to finish the course, or is dropped for poor scholarship, or fails to remain in the teaching profession after two years.

The time for such repayment could be spread over a 10-year period and could be a relative sum, namely, for those who failed to finish or dropped out for scholastic reason, the entire cost would be due up to the time of termination.

Judge Murphy has conferred with Dr. Roland Linn of the Oakland school system and has gathered many supporting figures for his proposal. He has painstakingly compiled the costs of a year's education for a prospective teacher in the 12 colleges or universities which give such instruction. One column shows what it costs if the student gets board and room at the college, another shows what the costs are at the college if he lives at home.

Summing up his reasons for believing that the plan merits consideration by labor people, Judge Murphy says:

"This plan would not only serve to educate young men and women in the families of union members who might otherwise be denied education because of economic conditions, but it would also tend to bring into the teaching profession young men and women who are familiar with the philosophy and purposes of union labor, and who would be able to bring to the students a better understanding of the necessity for organized labor. It seems to me that the plan would be one means of focusing public attention on good unions and not on the bad ones."

Persuasion

We recognize that in a free society there inevitably will be differences of opinion between free labor and free management. In a Communist or totalitarian state unity is achieved by absolute conformity. In a free society we must achieve unity in diversity.

While having differences, we must seek a way to resolve these differences that will reflect an understanding that the good of the whole transcends the special interest of any one group. In practice this means that collective bargaining decisions must be based upon economic facts rather than economic power, for only as the power of persuasion replaces the persuasion of power can collective bargaining be made a socially responsible and constructive force.—Walter P. Reuther to the Auto Magnates.

OPINIONS

You Write 'Em . . .

We Run 'Em!

'KNOWLAND KLAN' TOLD TO TIE UP 'YELLOW DOG'

Editor, Labor Journal:

The infamous "Yellow Dog" agreement will be back to curse labor if Knowland's anti-union initiative should win.

The first "Yellow Dog" contracts were signed when strikes of New England textile workers were smashed by state troops in the 1880's. A 30¢ wage cut was forced on the union members by state police power.

Around the turn of the century the coal and metal miners were forced to sign "Yellow Dog" agreements to get work—an agreement not to join a union. The result was low wages and a big depression.

If Knowland has his way the boss can hire a new man who agrees, privately, not to join the union and work extra hours at straight time. That's a modern version of the old "Yellow Dog". A lot of bosses yearn for the "good old days" when labor was cheap, long and sweaty—and Knowland wants to help them turn the clock back.

On the other hand, union members had better get on their toes to keep petty crooks and racketeers out of the unions. The Knowland Klan gloats over our failure to keep a clean house, and want to tear our house down.

Workers don't want "the good old days" of low pay, no protection on grievances and discharges, no benefits—in fact no feeling of security at all (we don't have very much now).

Please tell the guys you work with that the Knowland Klan should take their "Yellow Dog" and quietly retire. Knowland can keep plenty busy seeing that about 4,000,000 of our unemployed buddies get the "Right to Work".

If more members would give one night a month to their union meeting it would do a lot to keep the crooks out and the Knowland crowd in its place. You'll be bored stiff most of the time, but it only lasts about two hours or less. You do learn things at the meeting, and even if you go as a "suspicious watchdog" it is good for the union. Help keep the union clean and strong.

CLYDE JOHNSON,
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THEY MIGHT!

I don't trust the Russians. I never have. But I think we ought to continue talking with them. They might come to the conclusion to carry out their agreements.—Harry S. Truman.

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DULLES, NO?

On one thing only I feel a measure of assurance, on the rightness of contempt for sanctimonious self-righteousness which, joined by a sly worldliness, beclouds the dangers and opportunities of our time with an unctuous film.—Dean Acheson, former Secretary of State.

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TRAINING NEEDED

Management has entered on a history-making era. It's something like medicine years ago, when the doctors came to the realization that working in a drug store was not sufficient training for their profession.—Lawrence A. Appley, president, American Management Assn.

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IN UNIONS, TOO

Timid men prefer the calm of despotism to the boisterous sea of liberty.—Thomas Jefferson.